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"Polymers and Liquid Crystals" POLY Division Symposium Fall 2007 American Chemical Society National Meeting Boston, MA (Aug. 19–23, 2007)

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The "Polymers and Liquid Crystals" symposium at the Fall 2007 ACS National Meeting was held as four talk sessions on Aug. 21 and 22, 2007, plus a poster session on the evening of Aug. 21. The participants in this 2-day symposium included invited and contributed 23 speakers (+ 1 cancelled talk) and 13 poster presenters. A photocopy of the final technical program for this ACS POLY symposium is attached.

The focus of this POLY symposium was to showcase new research and application directions in the area of liquid crystal (LC)-containing and LC-based polymer systems. Such materials are important because LCs provide the ability to readily control order and anisotropy in polymer materials, and thereby amplify or modify specific properties. In addition, LC components offer the ability to control polymer architecture on the nanometer scale to generate organic nanomaterials with enhanced chemical and physical properties. The last major ACS symposia on polymers and LCs were held in Fall 1999 (POLY) and Fall 2003 (PMSE). These prior symposia focused on fundamental understanding of the structure, self-assembly, and polymerization behavior of the main LC polymer systems at that time; and their utility in optical and structural applications, primarily. Since then, a number of significant advances in LC polymer systems have emerged, including new types of materials using new LC phases and polymer architectures; integration of new functional properties into LC polymer materials; and new areas of application, including functional coatings, membranes, catalysts, tissue engineering scaffolds, and micro-This symposium provided an interdisciplinary forum for the presentation and discussion of new and previously unpublished results on how polymer materials in combination with LCs can produce anisotropic and/or nanostructured polymer materials with new, relevant, and interesting properties.

The "Polymers and Liquid Crystals" symposium was the one of the most popular and well-attended symposia in the POLY Division at this ACS meeting. For each of the four oral sessions, there were at least 50–60 people in attendance throughout the 2-day event, with at least double the amount of attendees at the poster session. Funding from the ONR is gratefully acknowledged because it allowed us to invite a number of high-profile invited speakers to headline the sessions and generate a great deal of attendee interest. The ONR funds were used to cover meeting registration and/or partial travel costs for the following invited speakers:

Invited Speaker	Affiliation(s)	Amt Reimbursed
Prof. Sam Stupp	Northwestern University	\$520.00
Prof. Pat Mather	Case Western Reserve University	\$520.00
Prof. Raisa Talroze	UCSF, and the Russ. Acad. of Sciences	\$320.00
Prof. Doug Gin	CU Boulder (speaker and organizer)	\$320.00
Prof. Allan Guymon	U. of Iowa (speaker and organizer)	\$320.00
		\$2000.00

Copies of the abstracts for these ONR-supported speakers are attached. The ONR grant funds were expended as listed above, prior to Dec. 2007. All of the reimbursed speakers listed above are U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents.

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Polymers and Liquid Crystals

New Concepts in LC/ Polymer Systems

Organizer: C. Allan Guymon Official: Douglas L. Gin

8:30 AM 338 Liquid crystalline behavior in self-assembling peptide and conjugated systems Samuel I. Stupp, Shuming Zhang, Alvaro Mata, Megan Greenfield, Ramille Capito

9:05 AM 339 Design, synthesis, and application of benzobis(imidazolium) salts as a new class of photoluminescent ionic liquid crystals Christopher W. Bielawski, Andrew J. Boydston

9:40 AM 340 Self-organization of ionic liquids: Liquid-crystalline low-dimensional ion conductors Takashi Kato, Masafumi Yoshio, Takahiro Ichikawa, Harutoki Shimura, Tomohiro Mukai, Atsushi Hamasaki, Hiroyuki Ohno

10:15 AM Intermission

10:25 AM $\ \, \underline{341} \ \,$ Aligning shape persistent polymers in liquid crystal solutions Timothy M. Swager

11:00 AM 342 Aligned phases of polymer coated magnetic nanoparticles and binary microphase separated blends Peiyuin Keng, Bryan D. Korth, **Jeffrey Pyun**

11:35 AM 343 Liquid crystal polymers as directing medium: Creation of organized quantum dots composites

Raisa V. Talroze, Georgii A Shandryuk, Elena Matukhina, Alexey S. Merekalov, Roman B. Vasiliev, Alexander M. Gaskov

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386 Photopolymerization kinetics in polymerizable lyotropic liquid crystalline systems

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388 Silica nanocasting of lyotropic liquid crystals: Material science or an analytical tool?

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389 Nanostructured polymeric networks generated from lyotropic liquid crystals

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9:05 AM Shape memory phenomena in liquid crystalline elastomers and networks **Patrick T Mather**, Kelly A. Burke, Hosouk Cho

9:40 AM 543 Polymerization kinetics and phase separation effects in holographic polymer dispersed liquid crystals **Timothy J. White**, Lalgudi V. Natarajan, Vincent P. Tondiglia, Timothy J. Bunning, C. Allan Guymon

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Dirk J. Broer, Carmen Luengo Gonzalez, Casper L. Van Oosten, Ken D. Harris, Cees WM. Bastiaansen, Johan Lub

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C. Allan Guymon

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Rachel A. Segalman, Bradley D. Olsen

Hierarchical nanostructures of mesogen jacketed bent-core liquid crystalline block copolymers 2:05 PM

Kishore K. Tenneti, Xiaofang Chen, Christopher Y. Li, Xinhua Wan, Qi-Feng Zhou, Lixia Rong, Benjamin S. Hsiao

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474	Surface-induced structure formation of polymer dispersed liquid crystals on chemically patterned substrate Zhiqun Lin , Jun Wang, Jianfeng Xia, Suck Won Hong, Feng Qiu, Yuliang Yang
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Liquid crystalline behavior in self-assembling peptide and conjugated systems

POLY 338

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Peptide-containing molecules are attractive to build self-assembling systems with mesogenic behavior. This potential is based on the possibility of designing large numbers of molecular structures with electrolytic or amphiphilic character that can also form high densities of hydrogen bonds. Our laboratory works on peptide amphiphile (PA) nanostructures that are formed by molecules containing a peptide sequence covalently grafted to a hydrophobic alkyl tail. These systems have revealed the capacity to organize into nanofibers with a remarkable aspect ratio. Under appropriate conditions these systems can orient into arrays that seem to undergo Onsager transitions. In this lecture we describe these systems and demonstrate their potential as interesting environments to orient stem cells. Long range cell orientation might be an important factor in controlling differentiation.

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8:30 AM-12:00 PM, Tuesday, August 21, 2007 Westin Boston Waterfront -- Otis, Oral

Division of Polymer Chemistry

Shape memory phenomena in liquid crystalline elastomers and networks

POLY 542

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Shape memory polymers are a class of materials defined by their unique thermomechanical behavior that enables large strain actuation commanded through external stimuli. We have synthesized and characterized a variety of liquid crystalline elastomers and glassy networks (T_g greater than room temperature) that show quite distinct shape memory behavior, depending on the relative positioning of a mesogen vitrification temperature and an isotropization temperature. While the former allows one-way shape memory fixing and recovery, the latter engenders two way shape memory elongation and contraction. As the two thermal transitions are merged through compositional variations, the thermomechanical responses become increasingly complex. In this report, we will compare and contrast a variety of liquid crystalline elastomer and glassy network compositions to reveal structure-property relations as they pertain to shape memory response. In addition, applications and future directions will be discussed.

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Liquid crystal polymers as directing medium: Creation of organized quantum dots composites

POLY 343

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This study was conducted to show how control over nanoparticle shape, liquid crystal (LC) polymer architecture, and the related mesophase structure has made possible the creation of new LC polymer / semiconductor nanoparticle composite materials. Surface modification of semiconductor quantum dot nanoparticles by hydrogen-bonded LC polymers resulted in the formation of uniform and coagulation-free bulk systems. The effect of the LC polymer on the alignment of nanoparticles within the composite was established by varying the polymer structure and the size of the quantum dots. The resultant composites represent a new class of nanomaterials in which quantum dots are aligned within the planes provided by the initial smectic layers separated by the periodically located polymer backbones. The anisotropic structure of the nanocomposites could allow one to fine-tune the response of the material to magnetic, electrical, optical and mechanical stimuli

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New approaches to the design of nanoporous catalysts and membranes based on polymerized lyotropic liquid crystal assemblies

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In this talk, new functional polymer systems based on the photo-initiated radical cross-linking of lyotropic (i.e., amphiphilic) liquid crystal (LLC) systems will be presented. The design of several new functional LLC monomers and cross-linked polymer systems containing novel catalytic, photo-responsive, and chemical sensing units will be presented. The use of two new approaches for inducing the functional monomers to form the inverted hexagonal (HII) phase (i.e., hydrogen-bond LLC templating, and acid-induced LLC phase formation) will be discussed. The performance of the resulting nanoporous polymers as size-selective heterogeneous catalysts, membranes for selective liquid and vapor separations, and responsive nanoporous solids will be presented. In particular, issues pertaining to the contribution of nanoscale architecture to the performance of these systems will be highlighted. Finally, the design of new LLC monomer platforms that form LLC phases with a 3-D interconnected nanopore structure (i.e., bicontinuous cubic LLC phases) around water as well as room-temperature ionic liquids will also be presented.

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Nanostructured polymeric networks generated from lyotropic liquid crystals

POLY 389

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Non degradable (PEGDA) and biodegradable hydrogels (PLA-PEG-PLA) were synthesized and then fabricated into nanostructured 3D hydrogels using lyotropic liquid crystals (LLCs) as templates for the polymerization reaction. Various LLC geometries were employed to generate controllable nanostructure within the matrix of the hydrogels, and the physical properties of the gels were then analyzed as a function of network morphology. It was found that by changing the network geometry of either the degradable or non-degradable hydrogel from an isotropic state to a highly ordered lamellar or hexagonal geometry, the diffusivity of the gel could be increased 100-200%. Furthermore, significant enhancements to the physical properties were realized for the biodegradable hydrogels as samples templated with a hexagonal parent LLC exhibited increases in water uptake and a two-fold increase in modulus over the isotropic version of the same degradable system. The ability to control the properties of a hydrogel simply by imparting LLC network structure, without changing the chemistry or biocompatibility of the polymer, is highly advantageous in the design of synthetic biomaterials for biomedical applications.

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